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SUBJECT: Alarich MOSS

TO: Station Chief, OFFENSE

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1. This is to inform you that we have called the Home Office for an operational clearance on above Subject. There are, however, several security implications involved which I believe we can handle locally.

2. Several months ago I was informed by [] that Subject was being impersonated by an individual acting as a KPD courier throughout Western Germany. The report indicates that the impersonator had thoroughly mastered Subject's background and possessed documents bearing name of Subject. To make a double check on Moss this office conducted a four-day surveillance on Subject with the purpose in mind to verify his whereabouts during his travels and attempt to establish whether or not Subject was being tailed by any other persons. The surveillance revealed that Subject was not being tailed and that he was carrying out his mission as assigned. The question that arises is why a possible KPD courier has mastered in complete detail Subject's background and has assumed his identity. There are many possibilities open:

a. The opposition knows that Moss, a well known personality in his field, or else has reason to believe Subject to be engaged in providing step-behind notes;

b. The opposition may attempt to penetrate Subject's activities through use of the impersonator, thereby compromising Subject;

c. The opposition may be attempting to locate Subject, pin point him and possibly neutralize him by violent methods, such as kidnapping.

3. These implications as described above, appear to require an urgent answer and discussion on the possibilities of neutralizing the impersonator, and at the same time protecting your operations from compromise. Along with this I have discussed the problem in general

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There will be operations officers of RESEARCH (Development) and the
intelligence and they have agreed to conduct an in every possible way
to maintain the status currently being passed by the
Department.

1. Would you please inform this officer as soon as possible
whether you have been assigned to a position of officer in
the Department, the importance of this matter, in fact of the
status of the Department.

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